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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A cooling channel or conduit length for a rotary electrical machine, the <u>said</u> channel or conduit length comprising at least one channel or conduit placed along at least part of the machine to be cooled and having an input axis and an output axis, as well as at least one input coupling and at least one output coupling for a cooling fluid and between which said at least one channel or conduit extends, characterized in that <u>wherein</u> said at least one input coupling or couplings and said at least one output coupling or couplings are each oriented at least approximately along the <u>said</u> orientation of the <u>said</u> corresponding input axis or output axis, respectively, of the <u>said</u> channel or conduit and have, all along their longitudinal extents, a generally constant area of their cross section of flow.
- 2. (Currently Amended) The cooling channel or conduit length according to claim 1, characterized in that the wherein said channel or conduit is a helical channel or conduit having at least one turn intended to surround at least part of the machine to be cooled and having respectively an input axis and an output axis oriented along a tangential axis or plane passing through an input and output circumferential zone of the length, respectively, and said at least one input coupling and said at least one output coupling.

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3. The cooling channel or conduit length according to (Currently Amended) claim 2, characterized in that wherein said input coupling and said at least one output coupling are disposed, in an axial view of the length, with a small angular difference between the two-said input and output couplings.

- 4. (Currently Amended) The cooling channel or conduit length according to claim 2, characterized in that wherein said helical channel or conduit is formed by two complementary walls, an internal wall and said an external wall, the said external wall being formed by a cooling fluid envelope conformed so as to grant to the cooling fluid a helical path with a single turn.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The cooling channel or conduit length according to claim 4, characterized in that it wherein said cooling channel or conduit length comprises a single part joining said at least one input coupling and said at least one output coupling, these two couplings being separated from each other by a changing low wall conformed so as to give a favored flow direction to the cooling fluid.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The cooling channel or conduit length according to claim 1, characterized in that wherein said cooling channel or conduit length comprises two adjacent turns with an input coupling in common and an individual output coupling for each turn.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The cooling channel or conduit length according to claim 1, characterized in that wherein said cooling channel or conduit length comprises two adjacent turns with an individual input coupling each turn and a common output coupling.

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8. (Currently Amended) The cooling channel or conduit length according to claim 1, characterized in that wherein said cooling channel or conduit length comprises conduits parallel to each other and disposed in parallel around the longitudinal axis of the machine to be cooled, said at least one input coupling and said at least one output coupling being disposed coaxially with respect to the said channel or conduit to which they are allocated.

- 9. (Currently Amended) A rotary electrical machine, eharacterized in that wherein it comprises a-said cooling length according to claim 1.
- (Currently Amended) The cooling channel or conduit length as recited in claim 3, wherein said small angle-angular difference is between 20 and 30 percent.
- 11. (Withdrawn) A cooling channel or conduit for cooling a rotary electrical machine, the cooling channel or conduit comprising at least one channel or conduit placed along at least part of the machine to be cooled and having at least one input coupling and at least one output coupling for a cooling fluid and between which said at least one channel or conduit extends, characterized in that said at least one input coupling or couplings and said at least one output coupling or couplings are each oriented such that a fluid enters through said at least one input at a first flow rate, into said at least one channel or conduit, and exits said at least one output at substantially a second flow rate, said first and second flow rates being generally the same.
- (Withdrawn) The cooling channel or conduit as recited in claim 11,
 wherein said at least one channel or conduit comprises an input axis and an output axis.

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said at least one input causing fluid to enter said at least one channel or conduit along said input axis and said at least one output causing fluid to exit said at least one channel or conduit along said output axis; said input and output axes being oriented at least approximately along a tangent to a point determined by a radial line extending to a circumference of said at least one cooling channel or conduit.

- 13. (Withdrawn) The cooling channel or conduit as recited in claim 11, characterized in that the cooling channel or conduit is a helical channel or conduit having at least one turn intended to surround at least part of the machine to be cooled and having respectively an input axis and an output axis oriented along a tangential axis or plane passing through a input and output circumferential zone of the length. respectively, and at least one input coupling and at least one out coupling.
- 14 (Withdrawn) The cooling channel or conduit according to claim 13. characterized in that said input coupling and said at least one output coupling are disposed, in an axial view of the length, with a small angular difference between the two couplings.
- 15. The cooling channel or conduit according to claim 13. (Withdrawn) characterized in that said helical channel or conduit is formed by two complementary walls, an internal wall and said external wall, the external wall being formed by a cooling fluid envelope conformed so as to grant to the cooling fluid a helical path with a single turn.
- 16 (Withdrawn) The cooling channel or conduit according to claim 15. characterized in that it comprises a single part joining said at least one input coupling

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and said at least one output coupling, these two couplings being separated from each other by a changing low wall conformed so as to give a favored flow direction to the cooling fluid.

- 17. (Withdrawn) The cooling channel or conduit according to claim 11, characterized in that said cooling channel or conduit length comprises two adjacent turns with an input coupling in common and an individual output coupling for each turn.
- 18. (Withdrawn) The cooling channel or conduit according to claim 11, characterized in that said cooling channel or conduit length comprises two adjacent turns with an individual input coupling each turn and a common output coupling.
- 19. (Withdrawn) The cooling channel or conduit according to claim 11, characterized in that said cooling channel or conduit length comprises channels or conduits parallel to each other and disposed in parallel around the longitudinal axis of the machine to be cooled, said at least one input coupling and said at least one output coupling being disposed coaxially with respect to the channel or conduit to which they are allocated.
- 20. (Withdrawn) A rotary electrical machine, characterized in that it comprises a cooling length according to claim 11.